Shiftig of Head quarters of Damodar Valley Corporation

2086. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of ENERGY bo pleased to state.-

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to shift the headquarters of Damodar Valley Corporation from Calcutta; and

(b) if so, when the proposal is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) A sug-fiestion to this effect has been received from one of the Members of Par-L'ament.

(b) No view has yet been taken in tl-,e matter.

Memorandum from the Coal India Officers Association

2087. SHRI K VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government recoived a detailed memorandum from the Coal Mines Officers' Association of India in 1985, listing specific instances of .mismanagement, corruption and misuse of official powers by the Chairman and other senior officers of Coal India Limited;

(b) whether the matter has been inquired into and if so, the findings thereof; and

(c) the details of the action or proposed to be taken by the Govt.?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Yes, Sir. A memorandum was received from the Coal Mines Officers' ASFO-elation of India in Juno, 1985 aliegitTg, among other thin,gs, irregular allotment of coal to private parties, irfins-fev of an official of CCL at the instance of a local contractor and blacklist-' ing and re-enlisting of frms.

(b) and (c) Alleged irregular sale of coal from Singrauli Coalfields has been referred to the CBI for investigation. All other allegations have been found to bo without substance.

Clandestine Refining of mobile oil

208S. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government is aware of the functioning of some clandestine refineries in any part of the country to refine mobil oil and market the spurious product in sealed tins under the braad names of the Indiar, Oil, the Hindustan Petroleum and the Bharat Petroleum;

(b) if so, what are the details in regard thereto;

(c) what action has been taken ."..gainst the recketeers running those clandestine refineries; and

(d) what are the particulars of the persons involved this fraud?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM . AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) and (b) Sporadic rcoorts about sale of spurious lubricating oil in sealed containers of the brand names of Indiaii Oil, Hindustan Petroleum & Bharat Petroleum in some parts of the noun- , try have been received. In particular, a report about operation of three { niobil oil refineries and five packag-I ing units in Indore District of Madhya ' Pradesh for- the past few year? came I f(j notice in September, 1985. Raid^ '".eve. conducted by the District autho-lities in co-ordination with the Dis-. trict Co-ordinator of the Oil industry ;.,id nine (9) persons were caught Ped-handed while re-packing spurious oil under the popular brand names of these oil companies.

I (c) Normally, to ensure that any I spurious oils do not get sold through the retail outlets and kerosene/LIX)

agents of the oil companies, regular [1] of these outlets/agents are carried out by companies individually and jointly. Necessary action is *also* taken against agents and dealers indulging *in such* malpractices under the Marketing Discipline Guidelines.

The .State Governments and Union Territory Administrations also under-ke surprise checks and take action m~t the defaulters under the relevant laws.

In the Indore case, th$_e$ Additional tor, Indore, during the raids, 'el nine (9) persons against i action in accordance with law d

(d) The details of the raided premises in which nine (9) persons were' arrested, are given .below:—

(i) Shri Kailash Cliand Jain 28 New Dewas Road; Indore.

(ii) Shri Aii Hussain, S49-Ahili-yapura. Indore.

(Hi) Shri Fazal Aii, Juna Peetha Indore.

(iv) Shri Moid Aii, 49-Jawahar Marg, Indore.

(v) M/s. Kamla Oil Coin Choti Gwal Toli. Indore.

(vi) M]s. Jagdamba Oil Refinery owned by Shri Gyanendra Jain, Dewas Naka, Indore.

(vii) M/s. Oil Well Refinery owned by Shri Krishan Chand Daggawal, Maksi Road, Ujjain.

Supply of LPG through Pipelines

2089. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the places in the country where LPG is being supplied at present through pipelines;

(b) whether there is any proposal to supply LPG in the capital also through pipeline;

(c) if so, when $_a$ decision is likely to be taken in the matter; and

(d) what are the salien features of the proposal in this connection?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF I THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) At present LPG is not being supplied through pipeline at any place in the country.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Agreement between ONGO and CSIR

2090. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the -Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an agreement between ONGC and CSTR has been signed to solve the problem of transporting high wax crude from the Bombay High platform to the shore through stib-ma'rine pipelines; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

.(b) ONGC has entered into an agreement with the CSIR to obtain consultancy service for a period of two years in the specialised field of selection criteria and use of flow improvers for transportation of waxy crude through submarine pipeline. CSIR in conjunction with TNO of Holland and Snamprogetti of Italy as sub-contractors will provide expertise in the field of flow behaviour, restar-ability and trouble free transportation of waxy crudes from offshore to onshore terminal through sub-sea pipeline by providing the latest technology in the field of pour point depressents/ flow improvers. The study will